

Oscar F. Smith High School
English Department
2011 Summer Reading Program

While there is no mandatory summer reading for grades 9 – 12 Honors English students, we feel that it is important for students in these classes to be actively engaged in reading during the summer. The titles listed below are books that will be covered during the course, and we encourage students to get ahead by reading these works during the summer. These works are simply suggested summer reading; there is no assessment or assignment accompanying these recommendations. Students who pre-read these works will have a head start, but there will be ample time during the regular school year for students to read the assigned titles prior to classroom study.

The suggested titles are:

Honors 9

To Kill A Mockingbird -- Harper Lee

Black Like Me -- John Howard Griffin

Honors 10

Why We Can't Wait -- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Of Mice and Men -- John Steinbeck

Honors 11

Their Eyes Were Watching God -- Zora Neale Hurston

How to Read Literature Like a Professor – Thomas C. Foster

Honors 12

Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte

On Writing: A Memoir of the Craft -- Stephen King